could be replaced by Broach cotton. In order to make a beginning in the introduction of this variety, the cotton growing raiyats of these tracts were canvassed as to their willingness to grow this variety; the advantages were explained in village meetings and to individual raiyats and a Kanarese leaflet was published describing the variety and giving full instructions about the methods of cultivation. About 130 raiyats signified their willingness to grow this crop and 4,666 lbs. of seed were obtained from Navsari through the Bombay Department of Agriculture and distributed.

During the growing season the crop was inspected more than once by the Officers of the Department and it is very gratifying to note that the crop has, on the whole, done exceedingly well. The Department, after securing an estimate of the probable quantity of the cotton that may be coming into the market, placed itself in communication with the principal cotton buying firms in order to obtain for Mysore Broach the best price possible. The highest offer was immediately intimated to all the raiyats through a printed circular; and all cotton growers will be interested to know that Rs. 3-8-0 a maund was paid for good Broach, which is fully twelve annas more per maund than the price of sannahatti.

Under these circumstances I confidently look forward to a large extension of the area under this variety during the coming season. To meet the demand for seed the Department has purchased from the Bombay Department of Agriculture 20,000 lbs. of 1st class Broach cotton seeds. I would request cotton growers particularly to note that the seeds are from lots of cotton which yielded over 34 per cent lint, *i.e.*, nearly 17 seers of lint per maund of cotton. I would also advise that no locally grown Broach seed should be sown, firstly because there are indications that this will lead to a lower ginning percentage; and secondly there is always the risk of such seeds containing mixed with them ordinary jowarihatti seeds. Both these circumstances will tend to bring down the price of the cotton to the level of the ordinary jowarihatti and further to spoil the reputation of Mysore Broach.

The seeds are stocked—

1. In the following Taluk Offices:—

   Harihar, Davangere, Jagalur, Molakalmuru, Challakere, Hiriyur, Chitaldrug, Hosdurga, Holalkere, Honnali and Channagiri.

2. In the office of the Agricultural Association, Chitaldrug.

3. In the office of the undersigned at Bangalore, and can be had at the rate of Re. 1 per maund of 25 lbs. at any of these depots.

The following extract from Circular No. 5 of the Department is also published for information of the raiyats:—

"Broach cotton to be sown in black cotton soils in the month of July at the rate of 5 lbs. per acre in rows 2½ feet apart; crop to be thinned out so that plants are one foot apart in the rows; when plants are three feet high they should be topped. In other respects the methods of cultivation are the same as for the local jowarihatti."

LESLIE C. COLEMAN, M.A., PH.D.,
Director of Agriculture.

MYSORE CITY IMPROVEMENT TRUST BOARD.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE CITY OF MYSORE, HELD AT THE CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE, ON WEDNESDAY THE 30TH APRIL 1913.

PRESENT.

T. G. Lakshman Rao, Esq., L.C.E., Chairman.

TRUSTEES.

1. Dr. M. Srinivasa Rao, M.A., M.D., Deputy Sanitary Commissioner.
2. Mr. M. G. Krishnasami Rao, B.A., Vice-President.
3. ,, V. L. Manker, D.P.H., etc., Health Officer.
4. ,, M. C. Rangaiengar, B.A.
5. ,, Mahomed Jaffer Sahib.
6. ,, Venkatakrishnayya.
7. ,, M. Anantarajaiya.

ABSENT.

1. Mr. R. H. Campbell, I.C.S., C.I.E.

I. Letter No. 1397, dated the 20th February 1913, from the Executive Engineer, City Improvement Trust Board, Mysore, submitting plans and registers connected with the surveys of the suburban villages of the Mysore City.

The Sub-Committee inspected some of the suburban villages and report that they would submit the result of their inspection before the Board at the next meeting.

Resolution.—Awaited.

II. Chairman's Note, dated the 14th April 1913, regarding the acquisition of properties in the City.

The memo was read and recorded, the principles enunciated therein being found to be those already in practice.

III. Chairman's Note of the same date regarding the recovery of the cost of house-connections provided by the Trust Board with the main sewage pipes in the City.

Resolved that the costs of such connections given by the Trust Board, be recovered by the Municipal Council in half-yearly instalments in ten years with the house-tax, subject to the resolution already passed by the Trust Board in the matter.

IV. Sub-Assistant Engineer Mr. H. F. Marker's representation dated the 14th April 1913, for an allowance of Rs. 100 with the designation of "Trust Board Engineer."

Resolved that Mr. Marker be called "Trust Board Engineer," and his pay raised to Rs. 250.

V. Disposal of vacant land to the east of Mr. P. Raghavendra Rao's house in Lakshmi Vilas Agrahar.

Deferred for further consideration.

VI. Petition, dated the 8th May 1912, from Rudrappa and Subbanna, owners of site (plan No. 1) in Block 34 of No. III Drainage Area, requesting that the said vacant site notified for acquisition, may not be acquired by the Board.

Deferred for inspection of the Chairman.

VII. Acquisition of property No. 849 (plan No. 53), Block 64 of 4th Drainage Area, Krishnaraj Mohalla, on the ground that it is insanitary.

Resolution.—May be acquired on sanitary grounds.

VIII. Acquisition of Madaiya's vacant land near the fountain in Gollageri for removing the existing fountain to the site above proposed to be acquired.

Resolved that the land be acquired and the fountain removed to it.

IX. Acquisition of houses Nos. 15 and 16 in Block No. 55 of No. IV Drainage Area, Krishnaraj Mohalla, to the south of Basti temple.

Resolution.—May be acquired in the interests of the temple, if Brahmasuruiya is prepared to pay all the costs of acquisition and gives an undertaking to that effect.

X. Petition, dated the 14th February 1913, from Mahomed Dastagir Sab praying for the early settlement of the question of acquisition of his house No. 1339 (493) in Block 81 of No. V Drainage Area, Doddaholagere, Mysore.

Deferred.

XI. Petition, dated the 21st March 1913, from Subbamma and others stating their inability to pay for house-connections with the main pipe sewers.

Vide Resolution No. III.

XII. Chaluvadi Venkata's claim for payment of compensation for 486 square yards of land said to have been acquired from his mother in 1900.

Deferred for further enquiry.

XIII. Bills aggregating Rs. 360-14-6, from the Public Prosecutor being his fees for conducting cases of the Trust Board in the Civil Courts.

The Chairman to dispose of the matter after scrutiny.

XIV. (1) Revised estimate amounting to Rs. 21,198 for diverting the Doddakere feeder channel through Kuppanna's garden and improving the surroundings of the eastern gate of Curzon Park in Mysore.

(2) Approval of the several contracts already entered into by the Chairman in this behalf.

(1) Approved.
(2) Approved.

XV. Letter No. c 32, dated the 25th April 1913, from the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, intimating that sanction of Government has been accorded to an estimate for Rs. 13,383 for constructing ovoid section of drain of brick in cement, of the collapsed portion of Col. Purchase's drain in the City.

Recorded.

XVI. Re-appropriation of the budget grant for the year 1912-13.

Approved.

XVII. Estimate for Rs. 1,806 for laying pipe sewers in the Bazaar Street in Chamaraj Mohalla, Block 92 of No. V Drainage Area, Mysore City.

Approved.

XVIII. Docket No. 683, dated the 24th January 1913, from the Chief Engineer in Mysore *re* the out-fall sewer and septic tank works.

Read and recorded.

XIX. Acquisition of the following properties by mutual agreement under Section 22 of the City Improvement Resolution.

(1) Survey No. 338 measuring 1 acre and 26 guntas of dry field, of Mysore village.

(2) Vacant land measuring 135 square yards belonging to Sheik Hussain in Block 87 of No. IV Drainage Area.

(3) 88 square yards of vacant land in Block 81, belonging to Jogi Sidda, son of Badanal Sidda.

(4) 166⅔rd square yards in block 18 of No. II Drainage Area, belonging to Mahomed Peer and Hayath Bee.

(5) Property No. 744, known as Muniswara temple, Nazarbad Mohalla, Mysore.

(1) Approved.
(2) Approved.
(3) Approved.
(4) Approved.
(5) Approved.

XX. Claim of contractor Javara for certain demolition work alleged to have been done by him prior to March 1908, in old Doddaholagere and Chikkaholagere.

Resolved that the matter be left to the disposal of the Chairman.

T. LAKSHMAN RAO,
Chairman.